The Cincinnati Library Society for the Blind

REPORT FOR JAN. 1, 1920 TO JAN 1, 1922

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THE CINCINNATI LIBRARY SOCIETY FOR THE BLIND

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Georgia D. Trader and Florence B. Trader

Number of Volumes	4,182
Number of Magazines	8
Number of Borrowers	1,214
Circulation for 1920 and 1921	8,883
Attendance at Three Weekly Readings	2,800
Attendance at Monthly Entertainments	2,000
Attendance at Friday Morning Class	3,500
Passes from Cincinnati Traction Company	19,200
Tickets to Concerts	545

THE past two years of the Cincinnati Library Society for the Blind have been busy and interesting ones. The four weekly meetings of the blind held at the Public Library are eagerly looked forward to, not only by the blind, but by the volunteer workers who conduct them. At three of these meetings the new books and current events are read. The fourth meeting is held for the purpose of teaching the embossed type, pencil writing, sewing, knitting, etc., and to meet those who are in trouble and need assistance. Some are sent to oculists who very kindly give their services (arrangements being made for care in hospitals when necessary); others are helped with clothing and provisions. At this meeting needlework sent from the Ohio Commission for the Blind at Columbus is distributed to the women, and they are given checks which the Commission has sent in payment for their finished work. The Commission also employs a home teacher for those who are not able to come to the Library.

In addition to these meetings a special entertainment is given each month, and a picnic at Clovernook Home for the Blind in June. The Cincinnati Traction Co. most generously gives eight hundred tickets each month to the blind and their guides that these meetings may be attended. For several years Mrs. S. Major Newburgh has most unselfishly loaned her automobile every Friday morning that those without guides may be brought to the class. Mrs. B. Aram, Mrs. Sidney Bing, Mrs. John B. Hollister and Miss Eleanor Gholson have also generously given

their cars for this purpose. It means a great deal to those who are shut in to be able to mingle with others a few hours each week.

When this Library Society was first organized, a small collection of books in Line Letter was purchased, and some were given to the organization—making a total of one hundred and eight titles. This was the first embossed type used, being invented by Valentine Hauy in the eighteenth century. Since then other types have been invented which are more easily and quickly read, and so have taken the place of the Line Letter. As these books were no longer circulated it was decided to give them to some of the older blind who would enjoy and appreciate them, as shown in extracts from letters received:

"Summit, N. J.

"I am both blind and deaf, so books constitute my world, and I am very grateful for those you have sent me. I may shortly return to my home in Cuba where the books will be of inestimable usefulness to me as there are no books for the blind there."

"Highland Park, Mich.

"We have received five volumes of the Bible, and we feel so very thankful for the Word. It is better than all other books put together. We are your very grateful friends."

Mr. and Mrs. ——

"Lawton, Oklahoma.

"I read Line Letter as rapidly as I can talk, and love it beyond any system, for it was the first raised type to come beneath my fingers, and I am thankful for the volumes received from your collection. May I also embrace this opportunity to express my personal gratitude for all that this Library has meant to me. I borrow books from its shelves constantly, and the loans from Cincinnati have been of incalculable profit and pleasure to me."

New books are added in Revised Braille and New York Point as rapidly as they are published. Mr. Charles Boldt very kindly gave five hundred corrugated boxes to be used in sending these books through the mail to blind readers in many states. The catalogues printed in New York Point and Revised Braille have proved to be the greatest help to these borrowers. As some are deaf as well as blind, and some live alone, it would be very hard to have an ink print catalogue read to them. The committee on work for the blind of the American Library Association have done much toward increasing the literature in Revised Braille.

The Atlanta Commission for the Blind asked our Society to loan a collection of these books to see if they would be sufficiently read to justify their establishing an Embossed Library. The first loan of thirty books was sent them a short time ago. It has been the privilege of this Society to help in this way and thus lead to the establishment of such libraries in several states.

While Cincinnati still has a few blind beggars on the streets, there are a great many blind men and women regularly employed and giving excellent service in the following positions: Judge of Municipal Court, music teacher in the department for the Blind in the Public Schools, one in charge of Community Singing, four Fire Insurance men, one operating a store in Reading and one in Hartwell, one raising birds and making house screens, one at the Alms & Doepke Co., one at the H. & S. Pogue Co., one with the Withrow Reed Mfg. Co., three at

the Werner Industries Co., six at the Baldwin Piano Co., one in the reed basket business, several independent piano tuners, sixty-five women doing needlework for the Commission, numerous men selling newspapers, several salesmen, twenty-four men in the workshop for the blind, fifteen women in the weaving and printing shops at Clovernook, and until recently one instructor in the Law Department at the University.

In June at a Convention of the Workers for the Blind at Vinton, Iowa, there was established a country-wide organization for supplementing and co-operating with all activities in behalf of the blind to be known as the American Foundation for the Blind.

In order that there may be more efficient teachers for the blind, a course of lectures was started last winter at the Harvard University. Since then similar courses have been given at the University of Pennsylvania, Peabody College and Columbia College. Efforts are being made throughout the country to help the blind in every possible way—schools, libraries, homes, workshops, etc.

The Society is again greatly indebted to those who for many years have served so faithfully—Mrs. Fred E. Snell, Mrs. Albert Noelke, Miss Leona Griewe, Mrs. Harold Longley, Mrs. David Spritz and Mr. Frank W. Burgoyne.

The Society also wishes to thank the Public Library for their care and housing of the books, the Cincinnati Traction Co., and all those who have given either of their time or money toward making this work a success.

Receipts	
Donations and Subscriptions	$2082.39
Interest on Bank Balance	71.11
Balance, January 1, 1920	1516.44
Total	$3669.94

Expenses	
Books and Current expenses	$2491.43
Balance January 1, 1922	1178.51
Total	$3669.94

Cincinnati, O., April 7, 1922.

I hereby certify that I have audited the books of the Treasurer of the Cincinnati Library Society for the Blind, and found them correct.

Edward S. Jerome, *Auditor.*

Donations and Subscriptions

Ach, Mrs. Samuel	$ 10 00
Ackerland, Mrs. Max	10 00
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Gamble, Mr. and Mrs. D. B., Pasadena, California	50 00

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BRAILLE ALPHABET

EXAMPLE IN BRAILLE AND ORDINARY MUSIC.

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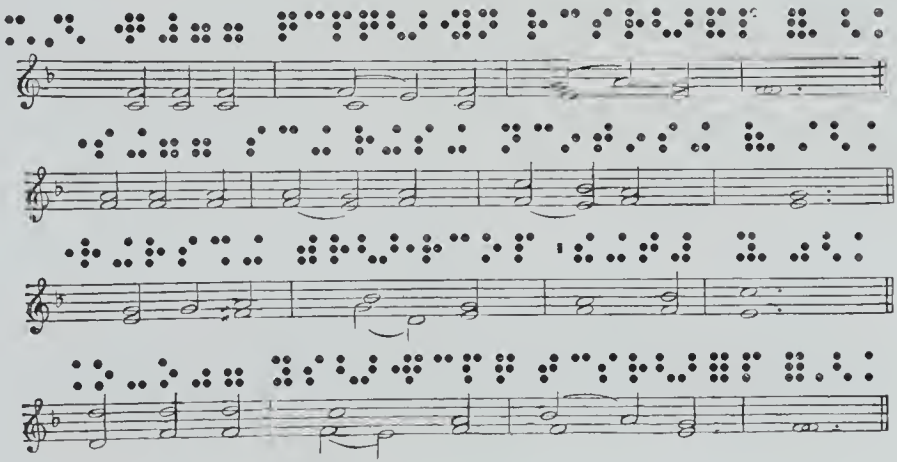

Gamble, Mr. James N.	$ 50.00
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Post-Glover Electric Co.	10.00
Pritz, Mrs. Benjamin	7.00
Pund, Mr. Frank X.	10.00
Refund, American Express Co.	2.50
Refund, Public Library, account attendant	191.00
Refund, Public Library, wrapping paper	47.09
Rheinstrom, Mrs. A.	8.00
Richey, Mr. Edwards	5.00
Riley, Mr. W. W.	10.00
Rosenberg, Mr. Albert	2.00
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Shillito Co., The John	10 00
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Shohl, Mr. Charles	10 00

Monthly Entertainments (Continued)

Norwood Christian Church Orchestra . . Directed by Mr. Jos. Surdo
Mr. William Hirst . . . . . Talk on his experiences in Africa
Annual Picnic . . . . . At Clovernook
Mrs. Alice Williams Brotherton . . Selections from her own poems
Canon Charles G. Reade . . . . . Talk on "Florida"
Council of Jewish Women . . . . . Concert at Wise Center
Girls of Clovernook Home for the Blind . . . . Play and Music
*Mr. J. S. Hastings (Luke McLuke) . . . . "How to be a Humorist"
Misses Marie and Edna Daugherty . . . . Music and elocution
Miss Annette Covington . . . . . Talk on "Japan"

Gifts of Tickets to Symphony Concerts

Mrs. S. J. Brown, 1
Mrs. J. R. Clark, 10
Miss Alice Engelhart, 4
Mrs. Adolph Flattow, 1
Mrs. Robert Wise, 1
Mrs. W. H. Rosenthal, 1
Mrs. G. M. A. Spencer, 5
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Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Taft, 238
Junior Chamber of Commerce, 280
Mr. J. Herman Thuman, 2 for Rashminoff Concert

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Mrs. W. H. Rosenthal
Mrs. Fred E. Snell
Mrs. Murray Seasongood
Miss Marie Tibbles

*Deceased

Gifts for Christmas Entertainments

Baldwin Piano Co.	Loaned piano
Mrs. Thomas J. Emery	14 gallons ice cream and 50 dozen cakes
Mrs. Jonas B. Frenkel	Box oranges
Mrs. E. L. Heinsheimer	Box oranges
Mr. Charles Reinhart	80 pounds candy
Reinhart & Newton Co.	60 pounds candy

Miscellaneous Gifts

Miss Grace Ackerland	Braille slate
Mr. Charles Boldt	572 shipping boxes
Miss Alice Bruce	1 Victrola record
Mrs. Fred E. Snell	Braille slate
Miss Marie Tibbles	2 Victrola records
Cincinnati Traction Co.	19,200 tickets
Miss Ester Byers	Clothing